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7 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

8 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

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10 BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
PLUMBERS AND PIPEFITTERS UNION   Case No.: 2:17-cv-02684-RFB-NJK
LOCAL 525 HEALTH AND WELFARE
11 TRUST AND PLAN,   **ORDER**

12   Plaintiff(s),

13 v.

14 STRONG MAN SERVICES, INC.,

15   Defendant(s).

16   Defendant's answer was due on March 6, 2018, Docket No. 6, but Defendant has not

17 appeared in this case. After the Court ordered a status report, Plaintiff represented that it "granted

18 Strong Man an open ended extension to answer the complaint." Docket No. 8 at 2. It is not within

19 the province of the parties to delay proceedings by months without Court approval. *See* Local

20 Rule 7-1(b). No such approval was sought in this case. The Court expects Plaintiff moving

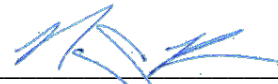21 forward to seek appropriate relief from the Court.

22   Plaintiff's recent filing indicates that the parties are attempting to resolve this dispute

23 themselves. *See* Docket No. 8 at 2. The Court hereby **EXTENDS** the deadline for Defendant to

24 respond to the complaint to August 20, 2018. If a further extension is necessary, the parties shall

25 file a proper request at that time for the Court's review.[1]

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28   [1] The Court expresses no opinion herein as to whether that request will be granted.

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1   Plaintiff shall promptly serve a copy of this order on Defendant, and shall file a proof of

2   service by July 12, 2018.

3   IT IS SO ORDERED.

4   Dated: July 9, 2018

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                                                    Nancy J. Koppe
6   United States Magistrate Judge

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